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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 612
By Person

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Margo McCawley for her outstanding performance at the Tennessee State Swimming Championships.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those gifted student-athletes who, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this state; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy young person is Margo McCawley, a ninth grade student at St. Mary's Episcopal School in Memphis, who at the Tennessee State Swimming Championships captured first place in the 100 meter Butterfly for the second consecutive year; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her remarkable performance in the 100 meter Butterfly, this incomparable student-athlete placed second in the 100 meter Backstroke, achieving a National Cut and thus qualifying to compete in the Olympic Trials; she also helped the 200 meter freestyle relay team swim to a sixth place finish; and

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WHEREAS, in competition, she has practiced the tenets of St. Mary's Episcopal School by exercising "self discipline, integrity, and honorable behavior"; her stalwart commitment to excellence ensures that she will forever be remembered as one of the greatest swimmers ever to compete in this State; and

WHEREAS, Margo was ably guided by her highly regarded coach, Michael Volpe, who helped precipitate her unrivaled success by sharing his deep love and vast knowledge of the sport; and

WHEREAS, Margo McCawley epitomizes all that is good in today's student-athlete, as she has achieved the highest level of success in sports, while evidencing the most circumspect character, both in competition and in everyday life; and

WHEREAS, her notable achievements are a tremendous source of pride for her family, her school, her community, and the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, through diligent practice, steady composure during competition, and unwavering commitment of her time and talent, Margo was able to perform her best and, despite strong competition, emerge victorious at the Tennessee State Swimming Championships; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Margo McCawley for her success in competition and for serving as a fine example of the high quality of Tennessee's youth; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Margo McCawley upon winning the 100 meter Butterfly and for placing second in the 100 meter Backstroke at the Tennessee State Swimming Championships, honor and commend her dedication and uncommon work ethic, and extend to her our heartfelt best wishes for her every success at the Olympic Trials and in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.